

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the present application. Please amend, without prejudice, the claims in the current application as provided below in the **Listing of the Claims**.

LISTING OF THE CLAIMS:

1. (Currently Amended) A floor covering comprising: an elastomer material having a relief-type patterned surface, wherein the surface (2) is provided with irregularly distributed indentations (3), which have an elongated shape, which partially contact or intersect each other, and which have a depth (T) of 0.02 mm to 0.2 mm, at a width (B) of 0.2 mm to 2.5 mm and a length (L) of 5 mm to 50 mm wherein at least one end (6) of the indentation (3) is configured so as to run to a point, wherein the indentations are essentially straight and wherein the relief-type patterned surface minimizes roll resistance, wherein each indentation has a different shape from every other indentation.
2. (Original) The floor covering according to Claim 1, wherein the indentations (3) have a depth (T) of 0.025 mm to 0.05 mm, at a width (B) of 0.4 mm to 1.3 mm and a length (L) of 6 mm to 40 mm.
3. (Cancelled).
4. (Cancelled).
5. (Original) The floor covering according to Claim 1, wherein each indentation (3) intersects at least two other indentations (3).
6. (Original) The floor covering according to Claim 2, wherein each indentation (3) intersects at least two other indentations (3).
7. (Cancelled).

8. (Cancelled)

9. (Cancelled)

10. (Cancelled).

11. (Original) The floor covering according to Claim 1, wherein the surface percentage of the indentations (3) is 5% to 50% of the total surface of the floor covering (1).

12. (Original) The floor covering according to Claim 11, wherein the surface percentage of the indentations (3) is 20% to 40% of the total surface of the floor covering (1).

13. (Original) The floor covering according to Claim 1, wherein the indentations (3) have the same depth (T) over their entire length (L).

14. (Original) The floor covering according to Claim 1, wherein the remaining surface (2) of the floor covering (1) is essentially planar.

15. (Original) The floor covering according to Claim 1, wherein the width (B) of the individual indentations (3) varies.

16. (Original) The floor covering according to Claim 1, wherein the length (L) of the individual indentations (3) varies.

17. (Original) The floor covering according to Claim 1, wherein at least one of the lateral border edges (4) of the indentations (3) at at least one location widens, to the outside, or narrows, to the inside.

18. (Original) The floor covering according to Claim 1, wherein the floor covering (1) is assembled from individual, repeating surface units.

19. (Original) The floor covering according to Claim 1, wherein the floor covering (1) is made up of a single-layer material.
20. (Original) The floor covering according to Claim 1, wherein the floor covering (1) has a thickness (S) of 2 mm to 5 mm.
21. (Original) The floor covering according to Claim 20, wherein the floor covering (1) has a thickness (S) of 2.5 mm to 4 mm.